

ANNIE LARSEN'S CARGO OF ARMS LOST AN EMPIRE

Rifles and Munitions Intended For
South Africa To Be Used
Against Both

MAVERICK'S MISSION BEING CLEARED UP

Failure To Make Connections
Kept Germans From Defend-
ing Vast Possessions

She's a commonplace lumber-carrier once again, is the three-masted schooner Annie Larsen, and she has exactly 479,839 feet of the material with which prosaic houses are built for matter-of-fact people, and in her cabin yesterday were the acid fumes of sulphur, which the unobscured United States public health service had burned in her for purposes of fumigation, and she lies at the wharf waiting to discharge as meekly as any three- or four-master that reports light or steady trades from the Sound.

But there was a time when she didn't carry 479,839 feet of lumber, but in stead had 4000 rifles, 4000 bayonets, 4000 cartridge belts, 2000 .45-caliber revolvers and a matter of 1,000,000 rounds of ammunition.

And that time was only three months ago.

Confirms Oiler's Tale

So this is the story of the Annie Larsen, and is by way of apology to one Jose Camaliche, one-time oiler of the American steamer Maverick, whose fantastic narrative of that ship's adventures about the high seas in search of the schooner that never came appeared incredible as the half-rag-tongued Latin-American told it at the Queen's Hospital, one night in June.

For Jose is vindicated, and every thing that he told of the Maverick is borne out by the strictest letter of the truth by the story of Capt. P. H. Schuler, master of the Annie Larsen. It will be remembered that the Maverick lay at Hilo for long in June, waiting apparently for nothing in particular, and that she sailed for Batavia a week before the Annie Larsen put into Gray's Harbor in distress, with the munitions intended for the Maverick still in her hold.

Whose Launches?
The Maverick was waiting at Hilo for the schooner, and her deep draft which worried the Hilo folks at the time, was due to her tanks—she is an oil-carrier—being filled with fuel for a long voyage; and the great stores of provisions, which knotted many a Hilo brow, were to replenish the Annie Larsen, which was running low. But Hilo may set to work to learn what launch or lay off the harbor to warn the Annie Larsen.

Yet it appears that Honolulu made one error in jumping at the belief that the munitions and arms were intended to stir up a revolt in India. Captain Schuler believes they were for the Germans in South Africa, and his mate George Poppe, told him that the father of the Maverick, who got the arms to the Teton's made it impossible for them to fight longer for their African colony against the Boers and British.

So the fact that the Annie Larsen's men dug three wells on the island of Socorro and failed to get water and were compelled to sail away for Acapulco to replenish may have considerable to do with the disposition of colonial possessions when the peace on voy's meet about the green table at the end of the war. A vast imperial dependency at stake and perhaps a lot for the lack of a few barrels of fresh water!

Arms From Kansas City

From Kansas City there were shipped these arms and munitions by rail to New York, and from New York they went by steamer to Galveston, whence by rail to San Diego, where they arrived in February. San Diego thought they were for one of the Mexican factions, and plausibility was given on the belief by the cleverly arranged plan of having a Mexican agent there.

To San Diego, from San Francisco went the Annie Larsen, Captain Isaacson, and she began loading the war supplies February 4, finishing Saturday February 6, when she made ready to sea. On February 10 she changed masters, Captain Schuler taking her and resigning his command of the schooner Annie Mahoney to Captain Isaacson or order of his owner, Olsen & Mahoney to whom both schooners belonged. And here it may be said that the same firm had the steamer Olsen & Mahoney which had plenty of plink at San Francisco last year when she was suspected of planning some surreptitious work for the Germans.

Kept San Diego Guessing

San Diego puzzled over the delay in the Annie Larsen's sailing, for she lay there until March 5, but on that day she received orders to sail, and she cleared for Topolobampo. As a supercargo went a man named W. Page, who really was Captain Otmier of the little German schooner Atlas, refugee at San Francisco and sister to the Hermes, now in Honolulu. Captain Schuler was instructed to take his orders from Otmier.

Twenty-four hours out of San Diego the captain was told to set his course for Socorro Island. This, of course, was a violation of the customs laws, and the ship paid a fine of \$500 for it at Gray's Harbor later.

Maverick Was Late

So to Socorro the Annie Larsen sailed, sighting the island at four o'clock.

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EXAMPLE SET BY FATHER DAMIENS MOST EFFECTIVE

Hawaiian - Japanese Laboring
Among Lepers of His Home-
land In Spirit of Christ

BRINGING HOPE TO THE MOST HOPELESS

Himself Stricken With the Dis-
ease, He Is Persuaded to Live
By Life of Molokai Martyr

A new and most vivid story comes back from Japan of the wonderful inspiration given a hopeless, despairing people by the example which Father Damien set in his lifelong work for the lepers at Molokai. The effect of Father Damien's good work has been felt in many parts of the world, but perhaps nowhere has it been more conspicuous than in the present instance. The story is of particular interest in Hawaii, because it concerns a Japanese young man who returned to his native land after eight years' sojourn on Molokai, where he contracted the dreaded leprosy, termed by the Japanese the "Heaven's punishment disease."

Stimulated and enthused by the example of Father Damien, this young man, Shikugawa, has accomplished a feat which the Buddhist church for centuries and the Christian church for fifteen years has been unable to perform. He has succeeded in converting Japanese lepers to a religious faith and in the fifteen or sixteen months he has been engaged in the labor he has won over by his own effort, forty of the human derelicts to Christianity. He has with him a colony, in teaching the leprosy children, and is generally getting his institution on a solid supporting basis, making of these social outcasts for such they are in Japan, a community of self-respecting men and women, retrained with a ray of hope.

In its way this seems almost a wonderful feat, the work done by Father Damien, the chief difference being that the latter is the pioneer while Shikugawa is following the way blazed by the great, tender-hearted leader. In Hawaii, eight years ago, a boy of sixteen, from his home near Tokyo, came to America as a partner with his American mother, and in the course of time he came to the Hawaiian Islands, where he was engaged in a banana plantation at Kailua-Oahu. Both were bubbling with ambition to gain much of the good things of the world, chiefly knowledge and fortune. They became students of English. Their fruit industry prospered. They also became converts to the Christian religion, being won by the Reverend Mr. Fukui of the Trinity Mission, which is conducted by Japanese in connection with St. Ann's Cathedral.

In April, 1914, young Shikugawa fell victim to leprosy. He did not know that it was, though suspecting its nature, and after talking the situation over with his partner, consulted local Japanese physicians. They added to his suspicion, though not admitting definitely that it was leprosy. They advised him to return home and consult the best medical authorities of his country, and accordingly he sailed the following month for Japan. A few weeks later he was advised by the medical authorities of the Imperial University of Tokyo that he was a leper.

Wanted To Kill Himself
In his despair, Shikugawa sought to commit suicide. For his victims in Japan the malady is infinitely worse than in Hawaii. Here they are treated generously as wards of the Territory, here they are secured and compelled to become beggars, and the belief has prevailed among them that there is a hope either in this or any other world to the name given by the Japanese to their home country indicates, it is thought leprosy is Heaven's method of punishing humans for some crime they have committed. Possession of the disease is taken as evidence that the victims are criminals; hence there is a logical reason for detesting them.

Refused To Deny His Friend's Anonymity
Shikugawa's friend, Anamiya, of his plight, intimating that he contemplated suicide as the easiest way out. Anamiya, said by local Japanese to be a young man of strong, winning personality among his people and on whose advice receives much weight, refused, telling the unfortunate Shikugawa the story of Father Damien and urging him to be a real Christian and make the same experiment. If his life was worthless, then he could afford to make an experiment and even if it failed he would not bring success there would be absorbing interest in the labor that would help to take his mind from his own misfortune.

That letter brought a new interest in life to Shikugawa. He sided up to the suggestion with avidity and with loss of a day's time began his plans and preparations. The details of the campaign he has waged with such remarkable success are not disclosed in his recent letter to Anamiya, who gave the story to the press.

Has Found Success
It is enough for him to know, how glad, that he has found success, and that in this and the great field it has opened up he has found an arena for his consuming ambition. There are thousands of lepers in Japan.

Shikugawa has won where other Christians and the Buddhists have failed. He has the interests of many hopeless people in his hands that remain little time to worry over his own condition. He is happy.

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CIVIC CONVENTION AT LIHUE PLANS A PERMANENT INTER-ISLAND BODY

W. C. Avery, President of Kauai Chamber of Commerce, Elected
Chairman, and L. D. Timmons Secretary—Weather Is
Good and Delegates Enjoy Themselves

By ROBERT H. WESOTT
(Staff Correspondent)

LIHUE, September 27 (Via Mutual Wireless).—The civic convention is half over as the clock ticks one minute after midnight this morning. The delegates spent a busy day yesterday and probably will spend a busier one today. The weather is fine.

The civic convention may emerge from these two days as a permanent inter-island association. A committee was named at yesterday's session to report on a plan of permanent organization.

The convention organized by the election of W. C. Avery, president of the Kauai Chamber of Commerce, as chairman, and L. D. Timmons as secretary. Mr. Avery gave the address of welcome and Charles R. Frazier replied. Speeches were made by the Rev. George Laughton of Hilo, the Rev. William H. Fry of Honolulu and the Rev. J. M. Lydgate of Lihue, Dan Case of Maui and W. C. Smith of Honolulu.

The committee on the Halekala rest-house project made its report.

Members of Ad Club

Save Stunts For Today

If members of the Ad Club lived up to their program they were a decorous crowd at Lihue yesterday. It was said on their departure that they would not present any of their stunts until the second day of the convention because of the first day falling on Sunday.

According to the schedule, however,

there was much merriment on the Kinnu going over. The club purposed to initiate many of the delegates in a society formed for the occasion—the Ancient and Honorable Order of Hornechieves.

It is said the charter members were Charles R. Frazier, Raymond C. Brown, Worth O. Aiken, David A. Brown and Will Cooper of Maui.

Climax to Fun Tonight
At the banquet tonight the Ad Club

purpose to bring its funmaking to a climax. Two police officers taken over on the Kinnu will be stationed at the doors of the banquet hall and every guest compelled to adorn him or herself in a hula shirt. There will be three for "Honey" C. C. C.

"Bills" Hutton will give a German burlesque. Frank Cannon, Charles R. Frazier and Jack Cleary will do something also, but their stunt is—or was, when they left—a secret.

COMMITTEE DENOUNCES ROAD SYSTEM

Plan Is Called Wrong By L. A. Thurston, the Chairman

The present road system of Hawaii is wrong and to right it the good roads bill which failed of passage at the last legislature should be adopted by the next general assembly.

This in substance is the report of the committee on ways and means for securing better construction and upkeep of roads in Hawaii, presented at the Lihue civic convention yesterday by the chairman, Lorrin A. Thurston.

The recommendations of the committee follow:
"After careful consideration of the subject, your committee is of the opinion that the bill drafted and presented to the legislature by the preceding committee covers the desired ground, and accordingly recommend that this committee be continued, or another appointed in its place, to present the said bill to the next legislature, and urge its enactment."

"They also recommend that instructions be given to the committee to bring the said report and bill to the attention of the several boards of county supervisors, with a view to securing their adoption of the principles therein set forth, so far as they are applicable to county roads, more particularly the portion thereof relating to division of roads into sections, and the appointment of section men, who shall each have charge and control of a given section."

Wanted To Kill Himself
"Your committee considers this last recommendation of the utmost importance, in view of the fact that built-up roads which have recently been built in the Territory at a cost of over a million dollars, are, many of them, rapidly getting out of repair, and, if action upkeping is not speedily adopted, they will have gone to ruin long before the bonds issued to pay for them become due."

"The Good Roads Association of the United States makes the statement that the average life of a macadam road which is not continuously kept up, does not exceed five years, whereas a properly kept up one, under section system, will last a minimum of twenty years."

Resolutions of Committee
The following resolutions were submitted by the committee:

"Your committee herewith submits for consideration by the convention a draft of resolutions relating to roads, and recommends the adoption of the same by the convention."

"Resolved, That in the opinion of this convention, the present system of road administration in Hawaii, with some exceptions, is unsatisfactory and inefficient, for two main reasons, viz.: First—That politics and not efficiency control both the personnel and the work; and Second—That no systematic upkeup work is done on the roads after they are put in repair."

"Resolved, That this convention urges the several boards of county supervisors to take road building and are out of politics; to lay out the work so that the road money may be spent at the times and places where and when it will accomplish most efficient and lasting work; instead of the expenditure being bunched and spent where and when it will do the most good, just before elections, as is now frequently done."

"To put into operation the 'section system' of road upkeup as soon and as fully as possible."

Supervisors Urged To Act
"Resolved, that the committee on roads be requested to present and urge upon the several boards of supervisors the adoption of the principles and methods herein advocated."

Reason Why Committee Condemns Road System Blame Put On Politics

Appended are extracts from the report of the road improvement committee at the civic convention yesterday:

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Plea For Abolition of Politics In Favor of Efficiency

The enforced maintenance of our roads after they are built will prove a tremendous financial advantage; the optional feature of each county is, however, the application of motor taxes and fees locally is an advantage, all of which more than offsets the added cost which the plan involves.

Therefore I have reversed my position and signed this report, and so will others who study it."

Mr. Penhallow's Letter
The following is the letter of Mr. Penhallow:

"I am returning herewith the report of the committee on ways and means for securing the better construction and upkeep of roads in Hawaii, which you recently sent me. The receipt of this report reminded me of the fact that I had completely forgotten, not having been reminded of it since the appointment was made at the last civic convention."

"I have read your report over carefully and heartily agree that something should be done to secure better roads and provisions made for their proper upkeep."

"In the main I approve of the bill which was considered by the past legislature, but there was not sufficient time to have it properly considered and believe amendments would have improved it and believe now that it should be carefully considered by the coming convention in order that it may be thoroughly understood and if any changes are suggested they should be embodied in the bill before it is again presented to the legislature and a campaign of education should be started right now so that there will be sufficient interest taken in the good roads movement to make it apparent that legislation on the subject is necessary."

Reviews Road Progress
Previous to the recommendations and resolutions submitted by the committee, Chairman Thurston reviewed progress of the good roads movement as carried on by the civic convention committees of former years.

MANAGER RUNS AFOL
OF BIG ISLAND COP

HILO, Hawaii, September 25.—Edward H. Broadbent, manager of Farm Grove, Kauai, had an unpleasant encounter and dispute with a policeman on the Hamakua coast this week, while he was touring the island with his family.

Near the covered bridge at Papeete, Hawaii, Manager Broadbent says he stopped his automobile to permit the passage of a horseman whom he heard coming at full gallop over the bridge. He drew his car to the side of the road as far as possible but the horse, bearing the Papeete policeman, crashed into the machine, wrecking a headlight and causing other smaller damage.

In the altercation ensuing the officer, Broadbent says, threatened to arrest him for exceeding the speed limit, and later at Lapaehoe Broadbent learned the deputy sheriff was swearing out a warrant for his arrest on a charge of heedless driving. The deputy declared he must protect his officers from speed maniacs. Broadbent threatened suit for damages but it is understood they have reached a compromise, both court actions being forgotten.

Scientific Study Urged
"We need scientific study of road construction and a central bureau where the experiments in each locality can be used for the benefit of all, where the records can be kept continuously. We need more than anything else an example in efficiency, and the contrast between roads built by

JAPANESE SHIP OFFICERS HOSTS FOR HONOLULUANS

Reception Aboard Taisei Maru Is
Pleasant Function At Which
Guests Were Many

CADETS ENTERTAIN IN NAVAL STYLE

Craft Sails Tomorrow On Long
Sight For Yokohama
And Home

The Japanese training ship Taisei Maru, Capt. M. Kanno, here from San Francisco September 26, will sail at nine o'clock tomorrow morning for Yokohama. One-half the cadets will be given shore leave today, to spend as they wish.

On board the ship, moored at Pier 10, Captain Kanno and officers received for invited guests yesterday afternoon, the most important function of the ship's stay here. There were about 350 guests, which included many prominent Japanese men and women, headed by H. Arima, Japanese consul, and Mrs. Arima, and prominent Americans, among whom were navy officers.

The reception was from one to five-thirty o'clock. The ship had been decorated above and below by the cadets. Features of the reception included exhibits by the young mariners on the deck, and a luncheon on the poop-deck and, besides, the guests inspected the ship as they wished, and they were pleased with what they saw, for she is a fine sailing vessel and well equipped for training the young men for the merchant marine.

"The cadets have liked Honolulu very much," said G. Wada, first officer, "and they have enjoyed their stay greatly. A visitor to the ship is struck by the alertness of the cadets and the fine navy spirit, comparable to that of men-of-war."

It is estimated that the ship will be forty days to Yokohama, arriving about November 10. Sails will be used except for leaving port and situations where the auxiliary would be advisable, but it will require more than a month to get the engine into use, which was demonstrated when the ship failed to get winds off California for a month, but hung to the sails.

Former Governor Of Big Island Is Congratulated

But It Was Senator Baker, His
Cousin, Who Was Married;
Baker Tells Story

John Tahiti Baker, former royal governor of the island of Hawaii, guest-trotter and the only real Hawaiian who knows Paris, London, Berlin and a score of other world capitals as well as he knows Hilo and Honolulu, is visiting Honolulu and will return to the Crescent City in the Mauna Kea next Wednesday morning.

"I have received dozens of congratulations from friends since my arrival Saturday from Hilo," Governor Baker said yesterday. "While I was sure I had not done anything out of the way to merit all these good wishes, I was positive that there was something in the air that I was not an fool."

"I let these congratulations pour on me all Saturday and yesterday morning, but yesterday afternoon at the Beach in Waikiki an old friend of mine, one who had been a lieutenant in the royal guards when I was captain, came up and, after slapping me on the back, said: 'How's your wife, old boy, and how are you? Glad to see that you've gone and done it again.'"

"What're you talking about, anyhow? I asked my friend."

"Oh, that's all right, you silly old dog," my old comrade in arms retorted. "How's the blushing bride?"

"I began to see a light," Governor Baker continued with his narrative. "Now wife, blushing bride? What's ailing you?" I asked my old comrade of the Hawaiian Army."

"Cut it, I say," he continued. "Didn't I read in the paper that you and Mrs. So-and-so were married in Hilo last Thursday?"

"Then I saw the joke," the former Hilo high official went on. "You see my cousin, David E. Baker of Kona, was married by Steve Dashi in Hilo last Thursday to Mrs. Mary Ann Kolumoku of Honolulu and people here have been under the impression all along that I was the happy groom."

And what are you going to do with all the congratulations you have been receiving?" Governor Baker was asked. "Oh, that's all right," he replied. "I'm going to ask the whole blooming lot and send them to David by parcel post. They belong to him."

ABRAMS NOW STRAIGHTENING UP HIS BOOKS

Helping Trust Company He Is
Charged With Robbing To Un-
scramble the Eggs In His Ac-
counts of the Past Six Years

FORMALLY PUT UNDER ARREST YESTERDAY

Believed That He Has Made a
Straightforward Confession
And Will Make Good All Losses
Suffered By the Trust Company

(From Sunday Advertiser.)
Louis Abrams, secretary and director of the Hawaiian Trust Company, was arrested yesterday on a warrant charging him with the embezzlements of a \$1000 bond, the property of Mrs. Cordelia C. Hartwell, sister of George H. Carter, which bond had been in the custody of Abrams as an employee of the Trust Company.

While an official statement in the matter has been made public, it is understood that Abrams has made a clean breast of it to the management of the company and will not fight the charge against him, which includes the embezzlement of securities to the total value of \$25,500.

Straightening His Books
Abrams is out on a \$5000 bond and he engaged in straightening the Hawaiian Trust Company's books in straightening out his books and generally making things as easy as possible for his former employers. His property is under attachment, to an amount sufficient to make good the deficit.

Yesterday the writ of attachment filed against the property of Mrs. Cordelia C. Hartwell in the Bank of Hawaii was wanted on account of the plaintiff named Sanford Davis, who is known to be the representative of the Hawaiian Trust in the matter. The petition for the vacating of the writ was filed before Judge Whitney yesterday and granted.

Company Ample Secured
In this connection the Hawaiian Trust Company announced:
"Mr. Abrams has guaranteed by ample security the Hawaiian Trust Company from any loss it may sustain on account of his actions as secretary of the company."

"At this stage of the investigation we are not prepared to say anything more than that the investigations are proceeding satisfactorily and that Mr. Abrams is giving us all the assistance in his power to clear up everything."

Circuit Court Warrant
Abrams was arrested yesterday, shortly after noon, on a warrant sworn to by A. M. Brown, city attorney, the specific charge being the embezzlement of a Kauai Railroad Company's bond for \$1000, the property of Mrs. Cordelia C. Hartwell. The warrant was issued by Judge C. W. Ashford of the circuit court.

At three o'clock, Abrams, accompanied by his attorney, Robert W. Brockhaus, and Joel C. Cohen and Jules M. Levey, appeared before Judge Ashford in the latter's chambers. A \$5000 bond, signed by Abrams as principal, and Cohen and Levey as sureties, was presented and approved by the circuit judge and Abrams released from the custody of the police.

Telegraphing from San Francisco, Abrams is said to have informed the Hawaiian Trust Company officials that he was innocent of any shortage, and would return to Honolulu to prove this. In the light of yesterday's action he has, apparently, not done so to the satisfaction of the trust company.

On Abrams' arrival on Tuesday, officials of the trust company reported that one of the accounts in which shortages appeared was that of the Galbraith estate.

Police Not In It
"Ordinarily the warrant for Abrams' arrest would have been issued out of the police court of Honolulu by Magistrate J. M. Monaghan, but City Attorney Brown preferred to take the matter directly before Circuit Judge Ashford, who has charge of the criminal division of the first circuit court. Thus, in this case, Judge Ashford is acting as a committing magistrate. The police magistrate, under the law, would not be allowed to try the case before him on its full merits, other than to listen to the story of the prosecution, and if he found sufficient grounds would then commit the case and the defendant to the circuit court for investigation by the grand jury. The shorter route was taken."

Mr. Abrams may not be required to appear at all before Judge Ashford at two o'clock tomorrow afternoon. As the grand jury will hold a special session at the same time it will investigate the charges. If an indictment is returned a bench warrant will then be issued out of the circuit court for the defendant's arrest, in which case he will probably be required to appear before Judge Ashford at nine o'clock on Tuesday morning for arraignment and plea.

CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS
REST-HOUSE FUND COMING

HILO, Hawaii, September 25.—W. W. Filler, chairman of the committee which is raising funds for the proposed rest house on Mauna Loa reports contributions are coming in nicely, and he is highly optimistic over the promise of the campaign.